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In re patent application of:

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Regeneration**

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Petition for Entry of Substitute Specification

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Sir:

The above-captioned application is being filed herewith for entry into national phase from international application PCT/EP2003/008631. Applicants are also submitting herewith a substitute specification with changes that have been made in order to improve the clarity of the language and to adopt a format more typical of that used in the United States.

In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.125(c), the substitute specification is being submitted as a clean copy in which all corrections have been incorporated. Also submitted is a marked-up version of the application showing all of the changes that were made. In the marked-up version, all text that was added is underlined and all text that was deleted is in brackets or struck through. Purely formal changes, *i.e.*, to fonts, spacing, page breaks and paragraph breaks are not noted. The enclosed substitute specification does not add new matter to the application, and it is respectfully requested that the clean copy of the specification be used in future prosecution.

Applicants are also submitting herewith a Preliminary Amendment which revises the claims of the application and which adds a section cross-referencing related applications relied upon for priority. In making changes, the Preliminary Amendment refers to the clean copy of the substitute specification enclosed herewith.

Conclusion

Applicants believe that the present application is now in condition for substantive review. If, in the opinion of the Examiner, a phone call may help to expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' undersigned attorney at (202) 419-7013.

Respectfully submitted,

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